

**AN INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER**

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This cautious feeling was shared by the council. A further point of contention was the developer's statement that he could not at the present time say how much he could afford to pay toward the sidewalk in item 2 of the covenant. The members of the council expressed the view that the developer's proposal should not be immediately accepted to allow time for citizens to learn about it and evaluate it. A motion by Goldfaden to table the matter until the next regular meeting was passed.



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## Which Voice?

The people have spoken, but what have they said?

The narrow vote by which the capital improvements referendum was defeated can be interpreted in many ways.

Does the vote mean

- (1) That Greenbelters oppose the city council's expending any money for capital improvements?
- (2) That Greenbelters oppose the expenditure of any money for capital improvements, except in their own neighborhood?
- (3) That Greenbelters favor capital improvements, but not with the present tax rate?
- (4) That Greenbelters favor capital improvements in general, but not the specific projects proposed or the priorities assigned to them?
- (5) That Greenbelters favor capital improvements in general, but are opposed to long-term borrowing to finance the program?
- (6) That Greenbelters favor long-term financing of capital improvements but are opposed to giving council discretionary authority to choose the projects and the amounts to be expended?

We are sure that this does not exhaust the possible interpretations, but it does point up the need for those voting "No" on the referendum to make clear what their vote meant.

Indeed, it is the responsibility of those voting "No" to step forward now and explain how they propose to meet the needs of a growing community for capital improvements. For capital improvements are essential and inevitable, if Greenbelt is not to deteriorate.

We find it hard to believe that the majority of Greenbelters are opposed to the principle of an orderly capital improvements program financed through long-term borrowing. It seems much more likely that the divided vote on the referendum reflects a difference of opinion with respect to methods or procedure, but not principle.

### Suggests Planning

To the Editor:

We who voted last week against that proposal for capital improvements, have, each one of us, a special responsibility to work toward a better proposal which can command general approval, and not just swing on a narrow margin.

The two-thirds of all registered voters who abstained could be explained in several ways. Some may have been unable to come to the polls; others may have been impossible to interest. Some non-voters thought that approval was a "shoo in." A very large number may have thought that without more information they should not risk a fuzzy judgment. They were not ready to vote either confidence or no-confidence in the Council's handling of this matter. Those who did not vote, if they were not in a position to inform themselves, showed very good judgment.

As it stands now, should not the planning part for each suggested improvement go forward immediately? Then each proposal can be made more clear to the electorate and allow informed discussion long enough ahead to build widespread support the next time money is called for.

The GHI half of the city, when sufficiently informed of specific advantages and costs for the Whole

### Cub Scouts' Monthly Meeting

Cub Scout Pack 202 held its monthly pack meeting on Friday, November 16. The theme for this meeting was "Buckskin Pioneers", and the program included songs, games, and displays on Pioneer and Thanksgiving themes made by the Cub Scouts. This month's Attendance Banner was won by Den 3. The following Cub Scouts received awards: Richard Bailey, one-year pin, Bear Badge, Gold Arrow, Silver Arrow, and Lion Book; Ronald McCarty, Wolf Badge, Bear Book, and Denner Stripe; Jay Henson, Wolf Badge, Bear Book; Daniel Whittaker, one-year pin; Bobby Shifflett, Bear Book; and Phillip Edgin, Silver Arrow.

City, probably will give support and a good share of the leadership, as it has over many years. Mrs. Ruth D. Taylor gave an example of this at a recent Board meeting in her eloquent plea to look at the large picture of our city and its future.

That large picture, however, must be in focus sharp enough to allow realistic examination in hard-headed discussion if it is to be worthy of hearty support.

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### BAPTISTS HOLD REVIVAL

Special Revival Services will begin next Sunday and continue through December 2 at the Greenbelt Baptist Church. The Rev. A. L. (Bob) Taylor of Atlanta, Georgia, will be the Evangelist. The Rev. Mr. Taylor has held pastorates in Texas and Louisiana preceding his present pastorate at the North Atlanta Baptist Church.

John Stagg, who is Music Director at the Fountain Memorial Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., will direct the music.

The public is invited to attend these special services.

### Riedel-Bridge

Coast Guard Capt. and Mrs. William R. Riedel of Bethesda announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Anne, to David Bridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Bridge, 8-A Ridge. The wedding took place Saturday, November 17, at Greenbelt Community Church, with the Rev. Kenneth Wyatt officiating.

The bride was attended by Miss Betsey Schaffer of Baltimore. The best man was Dr. Robert R. Belton of Washington, D.C. John Bridge, brother of the groom, and Carl Knickelbein both from Greenbelt, served as ushers.

The bride is a graduate of Walter Johnson High School, Bethesda. The groom graduated from High Point High School. Both are now students at the University of Maryland.

### St. Hugh's Civics Club

The St. Hugh's Civic Club of St. Hugh's School this week received its official charter from the Commission on American Citizenship in Washington, D. C. The

### A POEM OF GREENBELT

(Editor's Note: We were struck by the sincerity of the following poem, which was displayed on a bulletin board at the Center School during Open School Week. If the poet will communicate with the newspaper, we will be happy to print his full name.)

by Alan B.

When I go fishing,  
I feel like just sitting and wishing.  
When I go to the store,  
I always feel like getting more.  
When a fire ever comes,  
It's just like beating on the drums.  
There are many kinds of trees,  
And some trees have falling leaves.  
After a snack at the lake,  
I heard a sick duck quack with an ache.

The Greenbelt Community Church

Rev. Kenneth Wyatt, Minister

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(Affiliated with United Church of Christ)

### Check the Facts

To the Editor:

The recent dance at the nearby dancehall, The Pines, which was raided by the Prince Georges County police, was reported by one of the downtown papers as a "virtual drunken orgy." This description was somewhat exaggerated, according to our usually reliable teen-age informants.

The description of the dance as it appeared in all three Washington downtown papers seemed to have been gathered secondhand with no effort made to check the facts. Moreover, several terms of precise legal meaning were used which might have been explained a little better. We have in mind the term "disorderly house". Our observation is that most houses become "very disorderly houses" each day as soon as the children come home from school!

The affair could have been more accurately described in more moderate terms, but perhaps strong language is needed to alert the area residents to the need for providing suitable entertainment for the older teenagers and young adults.

A Parent

Charter formally recognizes affiliation of the local unit with the national organization at The Catholic University of America. Pupils of Grade 8 comprise the local Club membership.

### Hodges Dinner Monday

Bill Hodges, son of Mrs. Patsy Hodges, 59-C Ridge, will be honored at a dinner given by the Prince Georges Chamber of Commerce on November 26 — a dinner he may not be able to attend. Early this month, Bill, 19 years of age, learned he would receive the Leigon of Merit — the only apprentice seaman ever to receive this award from the United States Navy. Last month he received the Navy Commendation Award for the heroic part he played in directing a team of men in rescue operations after a train wreck. Some 34 persons were saved as a result of their efforts.

Hodges enlisted in the United States Navy and shortly afterwards was stationed at Bainbridge, Maryland. At present he is in Cuban waters on the destroyer John W. Weeks.

### For the Record

To the Editor:

For the information of those GHI members who might have voted against the Capital Improvements Referendum on the grounds that it would increase their taxes exorbitantly, the proportionate cost to each GHI homeowner of the \$40,000 capital improvements program would have been on the average of 15 cents per month over a period of ten years.

Al Skolnik

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Elaine Skolnik - GRanite 4-6060

We were sorry to hear of the death of Jake Hoffman's father. The Hoffmans recently returned from Lowell, Indiana.

Best wishes for a happy birthday to Ruth Wagner, 2-D Northway, who celebrated her fifteenth birthday.

Happy-happy birthday to Linda Champion, 11-D Ridge, who was seven years old.

Both North End and Center School kindergartners were delighted with their recent trips to the farm. North End looked over the Beltsville Farm and Center School headed for the barns at the University of Maryland.

Birthday greetings to Rita Skolnik, 2-E Northway, who celebrates her eleventh birthday on November 21.

The inspiring twenty-fifth anniversary ceremonies of Community Church over the weekend saw the return of many former Greenbelters. Among them were the George Warners, (he is a former mayor and the author of the book "Greenbelt"), the Harringtons (Elizabeth was mayor of our town - in fact, she was the first woman mayor in Maryland), the Paul Dumbars (he was a former councilman), Phil and Elizabeth Werner: former councilman Bob Bonham and his wife Mary Clare, Virginia Horton, the Proctors, Truxis, Sauers, Whartons, Andrus, George Bauers (he is a former mayor), Frank Loftus, Mrs. Catherine Reed (first Center School principal), the Sherrod Easts (he also a former councilman), and many others. Everyone was delighted that the Reverend and Mrs. Robert Kinchele, The Reverend and Mrs. Terry Braund, and The Reverend Donald MacKenzie could participate in the services.

The Greenbelt Concert Band had a "Get-Acquainted Buffet Supper" last Friday at the American Legion Home with members and their families joining in the festivities. It just so happened that a few of the party-goers brought their instruments and the jam session that followed was great fun.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Walter Martynuska, 13-F Hillside. Jeffrey was born November 7 and weighed 4 lbs., 4 oz.

An excellent performer for the Ricks College football team is guard Wayne Mikesell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Eli Mikesell of Greenbelt, Maryland. Before coming to Ricks College, Rexburg, Idaho, he attended High Point High School where he participated in track. As a freshman at Ricks he is majoring in Math and Physical Science.

"It has been a real pleasure to work with such fine young men as Wayne," stated Coach Carl Bair. "He has been a real asset to the team."

Neal L. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Smith, 129 Greenhill, is undergoing nine weeks of basic recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

## Junior Highlights

By Earl Zubkoff

Greenbelt Junior High School's flag football team, coached by Mr. John Merricks, has won the regional championship for the second consecutive year. During the football season, they played each of the following schools twice: Hyattsville Junior High School, Orem Junior High School, and Buck Lodge Junior High School.

Greenbelt is only one-fourth of the way through its interscholastic sports season. In the process of practicing and being chosen is the basketball team. Later will come track and baseball.

The first grading period officially ended the first week of November. Nervously awaited report cards are due to be issued on November 27. The second grading period will end on January 28.

The annual Junior Red Cross Drive, held during the week of November 12-16, was a huge success. More than \$155 was collected, an average of almost 20 cents per student.

## High Point High Points

by Naomi Baron

Thanksgiving was observed one day early by all students at the annual Thanksgiving Assembly presented by the Interfaith Club. The program's theme, Thanksgivings-Past, Present, and Future, was accentuated by music provided by the school's choral groups.

The belated but breathtaking Homecoming Dance was held at High Point on Saturday, November 17. Peggy Schaffer reigned as queen of the annual affair.

High Point played host to visitors from sixteen foreign countries last Friday as part of a program for international visitors given by the Washington International Center. The 24 visitors, representing such countries as Afghanistan, China, Germany, Spain, and Vietnam, toured the building and classes and ate lunch in the school cafeteria.

The Future Teachers of America did their part in making this year's National Education Week a most worthwhile one by serving as week-long hostesses to visiting parents and holding an afternoon tea for school faculty and staff.

For the first time, College Nights will not be held separately in the various high schools in northern Prince Georges County. Instead, a combination program has been planned in which High Point, Bladensburg, DuVal, Laurel, and Northwestern Senior High Schools will participate. Thursday, November 29th, is the day, and 7:15-9:15 p.m. the time, when college-bound students and their parents will gather at High Point to hear college representatives speak about their respective schools. One such speaker will be Nick Freda, '60 graduate, who will represent Pratt Institute in New York City. This cooperative program will provide greater variety and scope in representation of colleges than ever before.

Richard Cain, senior, has been selected top science student of the year at High Point. He will be the recipient of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award Medal at graduation. Through this award, Richard is eligible to compete for the Science Scholarships sponsored by Bausch and Lomb Incorporated at the University of Rochester.

## JCC Membership Meeting

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Laura Simonson, Elise Geller, and Bob Cassels were honored for their outstanding 4-H work at the Annual 4-H Achievement Night held in Upper Marlboro last Saturday, November 17. Elise and Laura were awarded gold pins for the excellence of their work in all areas of 4-H endeavor. Bob received a gold pin for his outstanding work in electricity.

Two leaders also received pins: Mrs. Harvey Geller, a silver four-leaf clover for five years of leadership and James Cassels, a bronze clover for three years of leadership.

## Union Thanksgiving Service

The Thirteenth Annual Union Thanksgiving Day Service of the Jewish Community Center, Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church, and Greenbelt Community Church will be held this year in the Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road at 10:30 a.m. Ministers of the churches will participate in the service, with Rabbi Morris Gordon giving the sermon on "The Joy of Simple Things."

## TALK ON WIRETAPPING

A civil liberties attorney will speak Monday, November 26, on the growing threat to individual privacy of wiretapping and other electronic eavesdropping devices. Lawrence Speiser, Washington Director of the American Civil Liberties Union, lecturer at Georgetown University Law School, 506 E St., N.W., at 8:15 p.m. in the fifth of six free talks sponsored by the National Capital Area Civil Liberties Union.

The address, to deal with legal aspects of "Big Brother" devices,

## Teaching Children Under Six

"Children under six are in grave danger of being overlooked and their needs forgotten," claims Dr. James L. Hymes, Jr., professor of education at the University of Maryland. Dr. Hymes cites three specific areas of concern: that the number of public kindergartens is inadequate; that the number of state- and federal-supported day centers for the children of working mothers is inadequate; and that the special needs of young children may be ignored in our increasingly college-oriented society.

Although research has shown that five-year-olds are as ready to learn as children of any other age, national and state attention seems to be focused primarily on older children. In Maryland, fewer than 40% of five-year-olds have the chance to go to a good public kindergarten.

Whereas more mothers of young children are working every year, there has actually been a decrease since the war in state- and federal-supported child care centers. The children of working mothers can benefit greatly by being in day nurseries, yet their families can seldom pay the full price good centers require.

There is a danger that schools for young children will become mere "prep schools" for college, and that the child's need for "a program of instruction based primarily on first-hand experiences" will be neglected, since very young children are a minority in the academic world.

will also concern search and seizure procedures which impinge on personal rights.

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## NOT Behind Locked Doors

By Rita Fisher

The culmination of five years' efforts was the arrival in Greenbelt last Wednesday, of 23 patients from Ward CT-6 of St. Elizabeth's Hospital. They came, accompanied by three nurses and the director and assistant director of Volunteer Services. It is believed that this is the first time a group of patients from one ward have been allowed to leave their home behind locked doors to take a trip to a local community.

The women arrived early - a little after 3 p.m. This is where I entered the scene, as they say. I was returning home after a trip out of town, thinking that I would have time to get home and make a few last-minute preparations. But as I passed the Co-op gas station, I noticed the bus stopped on the side of the road and recognized one of the women. I slowed down and waved at them, and they saw me. My first thought was that they were too early and they would become restless if they were made to wait there until the scheduled time. But Greenbelt Police Sgt. Austin Green, who had offered to be our guide for the tour, pulled up in his car. With him in charge I took off for the church and called my home from there. I also called Mrs. Nixon, the chairman of our group and informed her of the ladies' arrival. And then I waited to be picked up by Rev. Lyle Harper, so that I could be with the group from Greenbelt who would accompany the ladies on the tour.

We arrived back at the bus and entered and greeted our friends. The warm reception we received was wonderful. They all looked so nice. It would have been difficult for someone to realize that these ladies all lived within a hospital where their lives were spent behind locked doors.

We started on our tour by turning down Ridge and going past the Jewish Community Center. We stopped for a moment while Rev. Harper commented on the building and its use. Then we turned in at Lakeside Drive to show off the beautiful homes and the view of the lake. From there we drove to the parking area at the Center—just to show it to them. We went down Crescent and pointed out the Firehouse and other churches. At the lake we did not get out of the bus because of the lake's drainage. The beauty of the water and the graceful ducks gliding along were missing. We returned to the residential area, going around North End. Every time we were near or passing one of our homes, we pointed it out.

Then we returned to the Center and parked the bus and got out for the tour. We pointed out all the places of business and then went into the new Co-op with them. It was a joy to behold. Their eyes lit up and they were really fascinated. The nurses commented that some of them had never been in a large super-market before. They were amazed that you could buy "anything you want" in the store. When we got to the ice-cream counter where free cones were being given away, each lady was given a cone. They liked that. Then we left, knowing that they would be talking about the store for a while to come.

We arrived at the church about twenty minutes before dinner time. It gave us a chance to relax and talk. The children, who were going to entertain later, arrived. They

were all introduced and went around and greeted the ladies. We were glad to see many of the women who used to come with us on our monthly visits to the hospital. Also present were Rev. and Mrs. Walter Smith, formerly of Greenbelt. It was Rev. Smith, who, after taking a course at St. Elizabeth's, interested the W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church in the visits to the hospital. Also present were Mayor and Mrs. Francis White and Sgt. and Mrs. Austin Green. We had dinner at 5:30, and the atmosphere was informal. They seemed to enjoy the meal. We tried to arrange a seating so that we were all intermingled.

After dinner, we arranged the chairs so that we could all sing some old favorites. Then we turned to Thanksgiving hymns so as to set the mood for the devotional period to follow. This period was led by Mrs. Dorothy Harper, who used as her theme the well known grace, "God is great . . ." Mrs. Edna White sang "My Task." Mrs. Bernice Nixon greeted our special guests from the hospital and then introduced the other special guests who were at the dinner. Mayor White extended a greeting to the ladies also.

The rest of the evening was used for an entertainment program. This was organized by Mrs. Betsy Stevens, who had gotten the acts together. We knew that the patients would enjoy the entertainment since the children who performed had been with us twice on trips to the hospital. The expressions on the women's faces seemed to indicate that they were enjoying the show.

There wasn't much time left before the scheduled departure back to the hospital. Every patient was given a gift of a stuffed rabbit, donated by the Co-op gas station. Then we said our goodbys, and the visit was over.

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ted in playing basketball to sign up for Leagues at the Youth Center. Senior and Junior Leagues will play Thursday evenings.

Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 the gym is open to the girls for basketball, volleyball, and badminton.

The Recreation Department would like to find someone who could and would teach ballet to a group of small children. If you can help us in any way, please call the Department at 474-6878.

## County Smog Level is Low

Prince Georges County is the only Metropolitan Washington area in which smog levels did not reach an eye-irritation level during the first year of area-wide testing, according to a report issued by the Regional Air Pollution Advisory Board of the Council of Governments.

The samplings, registering the level of what the scientists call "photochemical smog," measured the "oxidant level" of air over Greater Washington and indicated a "significant problem" within the Washington Metropolitan Area. Highest single reading for the year was taken at the D. C. Municipal Building Station, while the highest general level of irritation came from Northern Virginia.

The Health and Welfare Committee of the Metropolitan Council of Governments is concerned, however, not only with sampling of irritants but with pollution control problems as well, according to its Chairman, Frank J. Lastner, a Prince George's County Commissioner.

"Our study group has developed a model air pollution ordinance," Lastner reported, "which has been adopted by the Health and Welfare Committee and presented to local governments in the area for consideration and, we hope, adoption."

## Bridge Club to Move Friday

Greenbelt bridge players will have their first opportunity to play bridge in the new co-op hospitality room this Friday, November 23, starting at 8:30 p.m. The new room is located on the mezzanine level near the manager's office. Entry is through the store, although there is a separate exit to the street. Players are asked to bring tables.

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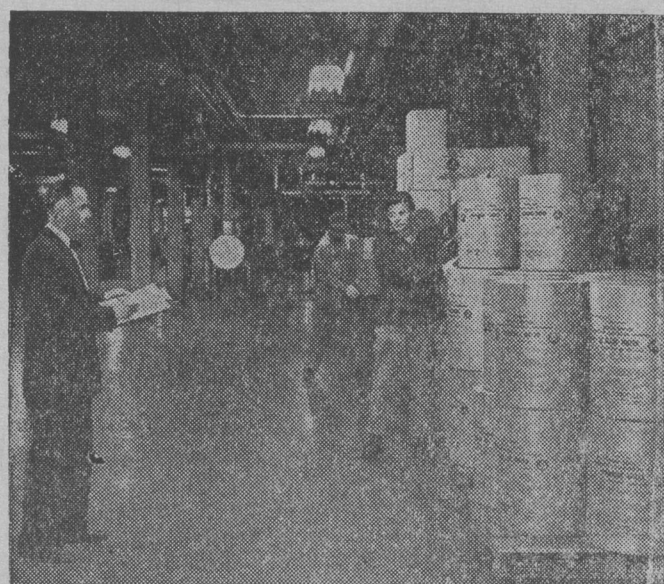
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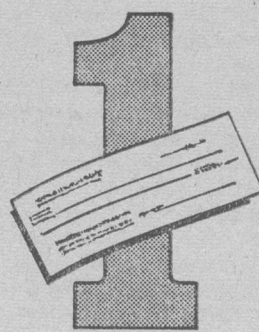


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1. The Lions Club is bringing the Red Cross Blood Bank to the Greenbelt Youth Center Monday, Nov. 26 from 2 to 7 p.m. Call 474-6323 or 474-9464 and make an appointment to give some of your blood to a fellow human being.

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